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### Fort Polk's 4th Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division to deploy

FORT POLK, La. — The Department of Defense announced today that Fort Polk's 4th Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division is scheduled to deploy to Iraq in late 2007 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The 4th BCT's deployment is expected to last 15 months in accordance with the newly implemented Defense Department policy on Army deployments.

The 4<sup>th</sup> BCT's mission is to deploy anywhere in the world and conduct full-spectrum operations to support the policies and objectives of the United States of America. While elements from the 4<sup>th</sup> BCT have deployed since it's inception in Jan. 2005, this will be the first time the 4<sup>th</sup> BCT has deployed as a whole.

Currently, about 300 Soldiers from Patriot Brigade's 3rd Squadron, 89th Cavalry Regiment and the 94th Brigade Support Battalion are deployed to Iraq. These Soldiers, which deployed March 22, are providing convoy security and additional assigned tasks to a combat support battalion and combat service support battalion.

In Nov. 2006, the 4<sup>th</sup> BCT deployed Task Force Boar to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. TF Boar was comprised from Soldiers from the 2nd Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment, 94th Brigade Support Battalion; 5th Battalion, 25th Field Artillery Regiment; 3-89; and 4th Brigade Special Troops Battalion.

A deployment ceremony will be scheduled and announced at a later date.